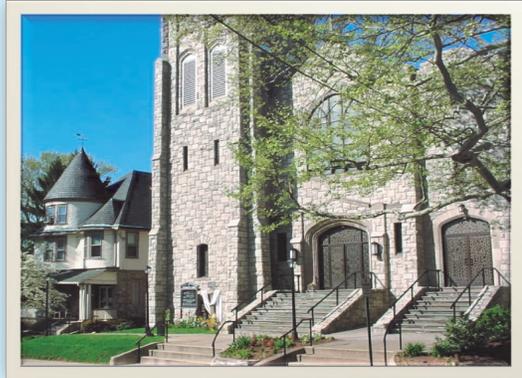


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MONDAY TO FRIDAY
FROM 9AM TO 4:30 PM IN THE RECTORY

Rectory Office Business Hours
Monday - Friday 9:00AM to 4:30PM
CLOSED WEEKENDS
Any requests for the weekly Bulletin should
be submitted by
Monday, 12:00 Noon.



Schedule of Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:15 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 10:00 and 11:30 AM
Daily Monday - Friday: 7:00 AM,
followed by Morning Prayer
Saturday: 8:00 AM

Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil Mass - 7:00 PM
7:00 AM, 12:05 PM and 7:00 PM
(schedule subject to change on certain Holydays.
Check website for final schedule)

Eucharistic Exposition

7:30-8:30 AM Tuesday
7:30-8:00 AM - First Fridays

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM
Sunday before 7:30 AM Mass
Tuesday thru Saturday: 7:45-7:55 AM
or by appointment.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Ask any award-winning movie actor or celebrity athlete and they are bound to admit that their success has happened only with a heavy dose of perseverance. The same holds for every doctor, lawyer and Indian chief. It is also axiomatic that they might have given up at any time along their path but they were determined to succeed.

For the most part, the same holds true for most of the people we call "saints." Our Lady and John the Baptist are among the exceptions of course, and then there is that unnamed "Good Thief" whose last "theft," that of entrance to Paradise, happened just by asking Jesus to remember him as they both were dying on their crosses.

Sometimes prayer is the easiest thing for us to do. Times of thanksgiving. Times before a big test or an important appointment. Times of fear and anxiety before serious surgery. Times of mourning for persons we have loved as they near death.

At other times, prayer is the most difficult thing to do. When we are angry at the crazed, violent or heartless behavior of our fellow human beings. Or when we know we are supposed to pray for those we consider our enemies.

Easy or difficult, we know we have an obligation to pray. It springs from the fact that there is a God who created us out of nothing and that we are here on earth as His creatures. It is an obligation however that derives from love rather than law. It is worth the time and effort it takes for that reason alone.

I wonder sometimes if prayer seems difficult and perseverance in it next to impossible because of certain attachments we make to it that have nothing to do with it. Take kneeling as the only "correct" posture for prayer. That may spring from childhood instruction to kneel by our bed at night to "say our prayers." That's fine for awhile, but when we get to the age when kneeling is physically difficult, there is a problem. That old guy named "Arthur Itis" can be tough when he settles in as our permanent companion.

Another falsehood often attached to prayer is that it must be done early in the morning. This one may derive from orders of monks and consecrated religious who pray communally what is called "The Liturgy of the Hours." Its old name was "The Divine Office," with "office" meaning "task" or "duty." This beautiful prayer obviously has set times for its observance, with at least two parts specifically meant to be prayed in the morning.

Practically speaking, many ordinary men and women, especially parents, are very busy in the morning with routines involving themselves and their children getting ready for their day. Or it may simply be that they or you are not "morning people." We must note that prayer can be offered at any time, but make it at the best time for you. And do it at the same time every day.

The main thing is for all of us to be praying people. To persevere as Abraham did when he nervously bargained with Yahweh. As all the saints did throughout their lives, so conscious were they that we have no lasting city here below.

The greatest form of prayer is praise. We do not ask anything for ourselves, but simply praise God for who He is, and all He has done for us.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, July 29

7:00 AM Robert Giuliani

TUESDAY, July 30

7:00 AM Joseph S. Cain

WEDNESDAY, July 31

7:00 AM John Le

THURSDAY, August 1

7:00 AM Mary Breidenbach

FRIDAY, August 2

7:00 AM Jack Binstead

SATURDAY, August 3

8:00 AM Gary Temoyan

Msgr. Dougherty offers a Mass each Sunday for all the parishioners and for those enrolled in the church memorial fund.



THE WEEK OF JULY 28, 2019
THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN
IN MEMORY OF
JOHN LE.

Weekend Mass Schedule August 3-4

(Priest scheduled is subject to change)

Saturday, August 3

Confessions 4:00 - 4:45 PM - Fr. Michael O'Sullivan
(missionary speaker)

5:15 PM - Fr. Michael O'Sullivan

Sunday, August 4

7:30 AM - Fr. Guckin

10:00 AM - Msgr. Dougherty

11:30 AM - Msgr. Dougherty

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT

<u>Weekend of July 21, 2019:</u>	\$ 8,072
Including Electronic Funds Transfer	\$ 687
Mail In:	\$ 1,245
Parish On Line:	\$ 2,010
Envelopes:	161

The Weekend of July 22, 2018: \$8,034

I sincerely thank you for continuing to live faithful stewardship. God bless you and your families.

Msgr. Dougherty

From the Pastor

Saint John's Hospice Toiletry Drive Request – St. John's Hospice, a shelter for the feeding and care of the homeless in Center City, is in need of travel size toiletries (soap, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors and other needed items). We ask that you please drop them off in the vestibule of the Church next weekend and we will make sure they get down to the Hospice. Thank you for assisting the needy.

Mission Cooperative Speaker – Father Michael O'Sullivan, S.A.C., a member of the Pallottine Fathers-Irish Province, will speak at all the Masses next weekend regarding the missions. The second collection will be for the missionary work of the Pallottine Fathers. Envelopes for this purpose are available in the vestibule. Pope Francis has declared this year an Extraordinary Year of Mission to emphasize our baptismal call to bring the gospel to all the nations. Supporting the work of the Pallottine Fathers will be a good expression of our call to be missionaries for the Lord.

ReBoot! Tickets – It is not too early to buy a ticket to the event that our Parish is sponsoring on October 10, 2019, from 7:00 – 9:30 pm at Archbishop Carroll High School. Tickets are \$25 and are available online at RealLifeCatholic.com and in the rectory office. Chris Stefanick, an internationally known Catholic speaker, will share his enthusiasm for the gospel and help us to reboot our faith. This is an Event you don't want to miss. Since our Parish has taken the initiative in inviting Chris Stefanick to our area and sponsoring this great Event, I would like to have a strong representation from our Parish. Our own Church did not have a seating capacity big enough for this Event, so we are utilizing the auditorium at Archbishop Carroll. Please help us to fill it. Our Adult Faith Formation Committee in the Parish is the driving force behind this Event. They wanted to bring in a speaker that could help revitalize our faith and deepen our life-giving relationship with Jesus. Our youth, in sixth grade and above, are also welcome to attend. Come and join us for a faith-filled enjoyable evening.

Father Guckin Has Returned – Father Matt Guckin has completed his sabbatical and returned to resume his residence here at St. Margaret's. Father works for the Office of Catholic Education in helping to oversee the Catholic Mission and Identity of our Archdiocesan High Schools and the Newman Centers on college campuses. Father will be assisting with Masses on the weekends and filling in for me on occasion for weekday Masses. It is good to have him back in our midst.

St. Ignatius of Loyola, Contemplative in Action – I have heard the practice of Mindfulness mentioned often in recent years. St. Ignatius of Loyola (1491-1556), who founded the Jesuits and whose feast day is on July 31, conveyed a powerful spiritual theme in his writings and teachings. He taught that our work is made holy when we are mindful of working together with Christ to advance his kingdom through our acts of charity and faithfulness to the truth. We become contemplatives in action by being mindful of the presence of Christ in our hearts and in our lives and uniting ourselves with Christ in all that we do. Thus, we are united with Christ not only in times of prayer but also in our work, by being aware of his loving presence in our world working for our good and uniting ourselves with him in that work. We are called to be contemplatives, people united with Christ, in our prayer and action.

Church Teaching: Contemplation – Contemplative prayer is the poor and humble surrender to the loving will of the Father in ever deeper union with his beloved Son. Contemplative prayer is "hearing" the Word of God. Far from being passive, such attentiveness is the obedience of faith, the unconditional acceptance of a servant, and the loving commitment of a child. It participates in the "Yes" of the Son servant and the Fiat ("Thy will be done") of God's lowly handmaid, Mary. (from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

We welcome into the Church

Stella Beatrice Blackwell
daughter of Brendan & Kathleen Blackwell
Harrison James Knox
son of Lawrence and Siobhan Knox
Grayson Drew Lazur
son of Andrew and Amy Lazur



Congratulations to the families on the Baptism of their children.



Please remember in your prayers the souls of **Bernard Bitetti, Robert Penrose, and Mary Suriano** who recently passed away. May they rest in peace and their loved ones be comforted.

HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY

Week of July 28, 2019

Robert Ritzco 610-649-3973

Please call as early in the week as possible.

Great News!

Tickets to **REBOOT!** will be available for purchase after all the Masses, beginning this weekend. St. Margaret's has secured Chris Stefanick, a dynamic Catholic speaker, author, and television host, who has devoted his life to inspiring people to live a bold, contagious faith. The event will be held on **Thursday, October 10 from 7:00 - 9:30pm at Archbishop John Carroll High School**. Tickets are \$25 and include admission and other materials. You can also purchase online at www.reallifecatholic.com. Get yours before it sells out! Questions? Contact Chris Maguire at csmaguire@comcast.net.

Attention St. Margaret Parish Teens HOLD THE DATE!

You're all invited to a pizza party in the Antioch Annex on **Tuesday, August 13 from 6:30 - 8:00pm**. Come to catch up with friends you haven't seen in a long time, learn about **REBOOT!** and why you don't want to miss it, and more! Stay tuned for more details!



Employment Opportunities

Coordinator of Parish Services

Saint Margaret Parish, Narberth, PA, is looking to hire a Coordinator of Parish Services. The main aspects of this position will involve: coordinating adult faith formation, assisting with Parish communications and the use of social media to advance the mission of the Parish, overseeing youth ministry, and coordinating evangelization and outreach. Requisites desired: a degree in Theology, good technology and organizational skills, and the ability to work with youth. Anyone interested in applying can send a resume to: Msgr. Paul Dougherty, Pastor, Saint Margaret Church, 208 North Narberth Avenue, Narberth PA 19072, or email it to him at pastor@saintmarg.org.

Saint John Vianney, Gladwyne, PA, is seeking a qualified part-time weekday sacristan (Monday-Friday). The sacristan primarily undertakes the overall preparation of liturgical celebrations, ensures a proper environment for worship, and attends to the general custodial care of the church and related facilities. This part-time position is 19 hours per week with competitive pay. If you would like to apply, or have questions about the position, please contact resume@sjvgladwyne.com.

St. Katherine Day School - Wynnewood Campus
Part-time Teaching Assistants to work with students with disabilities, and a **Kitchen Manager** to take care of both breakfast and lunch for the students. Contact Lauren Bell, Principal, at principal@stkds.org.

Roman Catholic High School
Maintenance Position - Full-time, 12 month 2PM-10PM shift. Candidates should be reliable, self-motivated, have familiarity with painting, electric, plumbing, etc. Full benefits package. Send resumes to jbongard@romancatholicchs.com.

Choral Director - RCSH is searching for a dynamic Men's Choral Director who will be inaugurating this co-curricular program. The Chorus will meet two days a week after school. Send resumes to Mr. David Rad at drad@romancatholicchs.com.

CYO Fall Sports Registration is Open!



Practice will begin for these activities in Mid-Late August. All participants must be registered prior to taking part in any activity. The registration link is:

<https://leagueathletics.com/Default.asp?org+SMSNARBERTH.ORG>.

Anticipated sports will be Football, Field Hockey, Cross Country, and Soccer.

For questions, please contact Jim McNulty at jmcnulty@hq.novacare.com.

Thank you for your continued support of CYO activities!

Spiritual Thought - Christian joy is a gift of God flowing from a good conscience. (St. Philip Neri)

NEW ONLINE GIVING - Saint Margaret Parish  Parish has arranged a new, secure method of online giving. You can now set up all your second collections in advance. Create or login to your Parish Giving account by going to the Parish website and clicking on the logo at the lower right or <https://tinyurl.com/StMargGiving>.



**Rediscover
the Love in Your Marriage!**

Is your marriage going down the right road...or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track.

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way?

Retrouvaille (retro-VIE) can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes all married couples.

Our next program is coming up at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA, August 9 - 11. For more information, or to register, visit

www.HelpOurMarriage.org, or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.



Lankenau Ministry

Next Sunday, August 4, is St. Margaret's weekend to take Holy Communion to the sick at the Lankenau. Group B is assigned But Group A is also welcomed. If you cannot come this weekend, please try to exchange with someone. It is very important to get a replacement.

Mary, Mother of Captives

A support group for families coping with a loved one in prison. Support Meetings are held at the following locations at 7:00 PM:

1st Thursday of the month at St. Cyprian Parish in the Community Hall

2nd Thursday of the month at St. Charles Church Hall in Drexel Hill.

All Attendees Remain Confidential.

Visit the Imprisoned.

Be A Pal. Become a Pen Pal!

MMOC/ADROP Pen Pal Program: In prison sometimes the only contact with the outside world is in the form of letters. Mail Call is better when you receive a warm and friendly letter from the outside world. Pen Pal Writers are needed to write to the poorest of the poor.

For more Meeting and Pen Pal information, please call 610-259-3178 or email:

MaryMotherOfCaptives@Augustinian.org.

Please pray for all those in our prisons

Dear Monsignor,



On behalf of the tens of thousands of our global neighbors whose lives are touched by CRS Rice Bowl, please accept my heartfelt thanks. CRS Rice Bowl, Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program, continues to impact those most in need.

I am grateful that you and your parish community reflected on how an encounter with our neighbors can be transformative. You and nearly 14,000 other faith communities prayed for our global neighbors from Guatemala, Uganda, Sri Lanka, Sierra Leone and Gaza. Your donation enriches their lives, as well as the lives of the hungry right in our own Archdiocese. Rice Bowl directly supports over 50 food cupboards and soup kitchens through the Archdiocesan office of **Nutritional Development Services**.

Please share my deep appreciation with your parish community and remind them that their faithful support of CRS Rice Bowl is a real blessing to so many. May God bless you and your community for your compassion and generosity.

Gratefully,

Anne H. Ayella
CRS Diocesan Director

Catholic Relief Services

Josephine Nakayiwa has a big smile and even bigger dreams. But, much like the women who walk through the door of her new beauty salon, not long ago the 22-year-old felt like she needed a transformation. While she works skillfully weaving a customer's extensions, she describes having been listless, with few opportunities on her horizon. Because she is a young mother, Josephine was identified for support by the SOCY Program – Sustainable Outcomes for Children and Youth. Participants were encouraged to join Catholic Relief Services microfinance groups and Josephine said, "The most empowering trainings I received were about financial planning and money management." Your contributions to Catholic Relief Services help to assist people like Josephine to realize their dreams.

Thank you for your support.

A Little Humor - Before a burglary trial the judge explained to the defendant, "You can let me try your case or you can choose to have a jury of your peers." The man thought for a moment. "What are peers?" he asked. "They're people just like you." "Forget it," said the defendant. "I don't want to be tried by a bunch of thieves."

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In case of serious illness, please contact the Rectory to make arrangements. If someone is already in the hospital, be sure to register as a Catholic so that the priest will visit.

COMMUNION CALLS

Parishioners unable to attend Mass regularly because of age or illness should call the Rectory to make arrangements to receive Communion at home. If any member of your family is hospitalized, please be sure to register as a Catholic and inform the Rectory so that a visit can be arranged.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sundays at 1:00 PM. Arrangements must be made in advance at the Rectory by calling Msgr. Dougherty, ext. 12. If parents have not attended a Baptism class, they must attend our Baptism Preparation Seminar. Call the rectory to register for the class. Godparents guidelines state that one godparent must be Catholic. They must be at least 16 years of age, registered in the parish where they live, fully initiated, and practicing their faith; they must obtain a letter of eligibility from their own parish. One practicing non-Catholic Christian may also be admitted as a Christian Witness. [The next Baptism Preparation Seminar is Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at 7:00pm in the Rectory.](#)

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners who wish to marry at St. Margaret should contact Msgr. Dougherty. The Sacrament of Marriage is celebrated after a period of preparation of not less than six months. Engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage can register, explore possible dates or find out more information for pre-marriage classes by visiting PhilaMarriagePrep.com. For email inquiries, Amy@PhilaMarriagePrep.com.

REGISTRATION

A warm welcome is extended to new parishioners. You may register by calling the parish office during office hours to set up an appointment. Parish registration is required for reception of the Sacraments and letters of eligibility to serve as godparent or sponsor.

REQUESTS FOR ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATES

The role of a sponsor is primarily a spiritual role to model a Christian life for the child. Therefore, anyone requesting a certificate must be a registered, participating member of St. Margaret Parish, a practicing Catholic in good standing (not living in violation of the church laws), at least 16 years of age and have received the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). Please call the rectory for an appointment if you need a certificate.

SOCIAL NETWORKING WITH THE ARCHDIOCESE

<http://www.facebook.com/ArchbishopChaput>
www.twitter.com/ArchPhilly
www.youtube.com/user/CatholicPhilly
<http://livestream.com/archphila>

BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study meets every Tuesday from September to June in the Antioch Annex (9:00 to 10:30am).

THE ROSARY

Every Saturday the Rosary is recited beginning after the 7am Angelus. Come and pray with us.

PRAYER CIRCLE

Do you have an immediate prayer need or can you offer the Gift of Prayer? Tap into our electronic Prayer Circle and receive an outpouring of heartfelt prayer by members of St. Margaret Parish and others. E-mail your prayer requests or if you want to join the **Prayer Circle at cbuhn@yahoo.com**.

REMEMBER THOSE YOU LOVE

For a donation of \$10.00, **the sanctuary candle or altar candles** will burn for a week for your intention or in memory of a loved one. Another memorial opportunity is to have **flowers** placed on the altar for a donation of \$100. Each week the intention or memorial will be published in the bulletin. If you would like to take advantage of these opportunities, please call Teresa or Maryann at the rectory, 610-664-3770, Ext 10.

EUCHARIST FOR CELIAC COMMUNICANTS

St. Margaret Church is aware of the need to have the low gluten hosts available at all Masses. If you or a member of your family is interested in receiving Low-Gluten Holy Eucharist at any Mass, please contact Maria at mecarinato@gmail.com.



JOURNEY WITH US TO EXPLORE THE CATHOLIC FAITH

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey to a deeper experience of God's love manifested through the teaching and treasures of the Catholic Faith. St. Margaret Church offers instructions for people seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, the Sacraments and living the Christian Life. These instructions are for adults who would like to inquire about following Jesus and becoming a member of the Catholic Church, or, if you are already a baptized Catholic would like to receive Confirmation and Holy Communion. **RCIA classes meet on Tuesday, at 7pm.** Please contact Msgr. Dougherty at pastor@saintmarg.org or 610-664-3770, Ext *812.



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